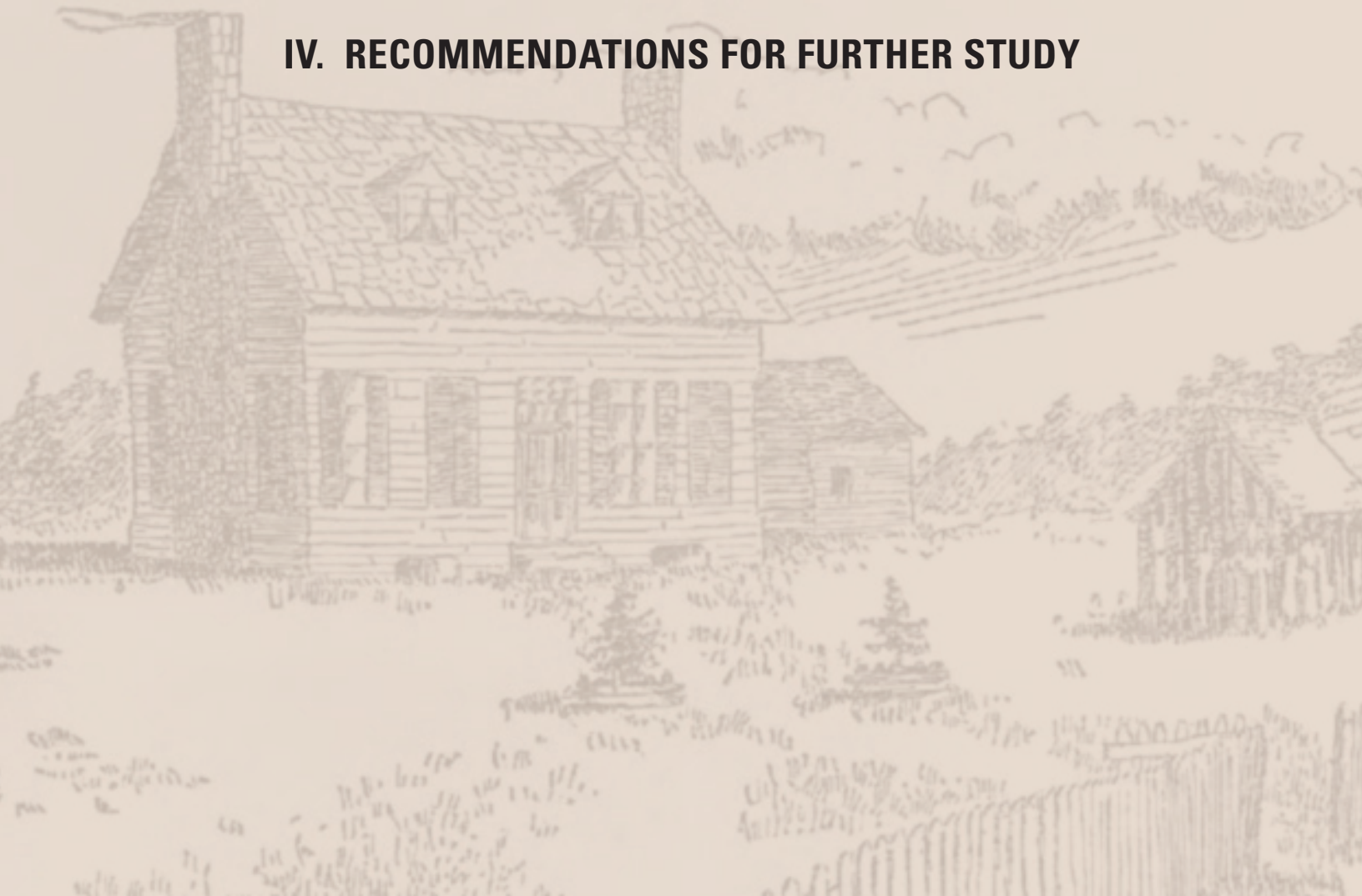


LAUREL HILL HOUSE

Historic Structure Report and Treatment Options



IV. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY

The next steps for the Laurel Hill House may include additional studies or investigations for either providing information related to a specific Treatment Option or for determining the feasibility of a specific or as-yet unidentified Treatment Option. Additional work may include parts or all of the following tasks or may require additional tasks not determined at this time. Some tasks, such as the archaeological research, may be required under the MOA. Cost estimates for these tasks are not part of this report but can be expected to impact and increase the budget of any of the three Treatment Options.

- A.** Additional selective demolition inside the building will yield more information on the building's condition and its architectural history. This additional information will be most important for implementing a more accurate restoration/reconstruction of the eighteenth-century house (Treatment Option 1).
- B.** Archeological research in the area surrounding the building could yield substantial information regarding the social, cultural and architectural history of the Laurel Hill House. This additional information will be most important for implementing an accurate restoration/reconstruction of the eighteenth-century house (Treatment Option 1, but could be instructive to Options 2 and 3 as well).
- C.** Research into similar houses of the same era, area and economic class could help to provide a basis for gaps in the knowledge needed to complete a restoration/reconstruction of the eighteenth-century house (Treatment Option 1).
- D.** Appropriate environmental investigations into the building and site, including a complete hazardous materials evaluation with numerous samples and testing, are required before any construction work can begin. This investigation should identify at a minimum the asbestos containing materials and the presence and location of lead-based paint (Treatment Options 1 and 2).
- E.** The further development of any of the proposed treatment options will require design development with the input of architects, architectural historians, civil engineers, mechanical, electrical and plumbing engineers, and structural engineers working with the client. Other disciplines, such as geotechnical engineers, construction testing, interior design, and exhibit design, may also be needed (Treatment Options 1, 2, and 3).
- F.** Further historic research to support the interpretation of the house may include the genealogy of the Lindsay family and the associations of the prison era. Interpretation, layout and design work for signs and exhibitions may be required (Treatment Options 1, 2, and 3).